

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant: Wang et al.  
Group Art Unit: 2613  
Examiner: Singh, Dalzid E.  
Title: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR DATA-FLOW  
PROTECTION OF OPTICAL INTERFACE IN DATA  
COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT  
Attorney Docket: 9896-000004

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 27, 2006, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.